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For: Apparatus And Method For § Client Ref. No.: T30364US
Adding Liquidity To An ECN
And Improving Executions
Of Orders For Securities §

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF NOVEMBER 15, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 23313-1450

May 9, 2005

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the above-named office action to highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 9 of this paper and included replacement sheets.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

An Appendix including 6 replacement sheets of drawing figures are attached following page 12 of this paper.

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